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In re Application of)
LASALLE R. SWENSON ET AL.)
Serial No. 09/844,086) Examiner: Lyle Alexander
Filed: April 27, 2001) Art Unit: 1743
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**SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BEFORE MAILING OF
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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In addition to the references cited in the Information Disclosure Statement filed with the above identified application, applicants wish to point out the references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 which the Examiner may find relevant.

This supplemental information disclosure statement submitted herewith is being filed before the mailing date of a First Office Action on the merits under 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)3.

Copies of all listed documents are attached hereto.

The filing of this supplemental information disclosure statement shall not be construed as a representation that a search has been made (37 C.F.R. §1.97(g)), nor as an admission that the information cited is, or is considered to be, material to patentability or that no other material information exists. The filing of this supplemental Information

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Initialing of each document after its consideration by the Examiner is now respectfully requested in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,



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